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electrical signal, an image signal generating part for forming an image signal from the electrical signal, and a color space converting part having memory means for storing an attribute information of said image pickup apparatus and a plurality of predetermined, diverse color spaces selectable therein for converting a color space of the image signal; and

a display control part for controlling said image pickup apparatus and said display device,

wherein said control part controls said color space converting part to convert a color space of said image signal by using said predetermined, diverse color spaces individually correspondingly with a color space characteristic of display device used with said image pickup system after receiving said attribute information through said interface means. --.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 20, 24 and 28 have been amended.

The Examiner has rejected applicants' claims 2-9, 11, 13-19, 23 and 27 under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph, as failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim applicants' invention. In particular, the Examiner states that in claims 2-9, 11, 13-19 and 23 the recitation of "said" look up table lacks appropriate antecedent basis in each claim. With respect to claim 27, the Examiner argues that the recitation of "said display" in lines 5-6 of the claim lacks appropriate antecedent basis.

In order to avoid this rejection with respect to claims 2, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15 and 17, the recitation of "said look up table" has been changed to --a look up table--. In claim 4, a plurality of look up tables has already been recited, as is the case with claims 14 and 23, so that these claims were not in need of amendment. Finally, claim 27 already recited "further comprising image display means", providing the necessary antecedent basis for the recitation of "said image display means"

In view of the above, it is submitted that applicants' claims, 2-9, 11, 13-19, 23 and 27, as amended, now particularly point out and distinctly claim applicants' invention. Such claims thus satisfy the requirements of 35 USC § 112, second paragraph.

The Examiner has further rejected applicants' claims 1, 10, 12, 20-22, and 24-28 under 35 USC § 103(a) as unpatentable over the Takizawa, et al. patent taken in view of the Lightbody, et al. patent. The Examiner has additionally rejected applicants' claims 2-9, 11, 13-19 and 23 under 35 USC § 103(a) based on the latter two patents taken with the Sakoda, et al. patent. With respect to applicants' claims, as amended, these rejections are respectfully traversed.

Applicants' independent claims 1, 10, 20, 24 and 28 have been amended to better define applicants' invention. More particularly, these claims now recite in one form or another that attribute information of the image pickup apparatus is stored. The claims further recite that the control of the color space of the image

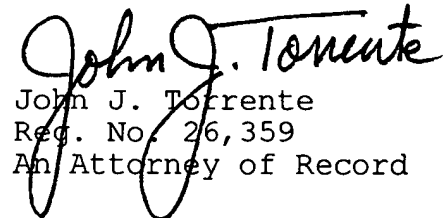
signal occurs after the attribute information of the image pickup is transferred to the control unit. Such a construction is not taught or suggested by the cited art of record.

More particularly, none of the cited Takizawa, et al., Lightbody, et al. and Sakoda, et al. patents teaches or suggests that attribute information as to an image pickup apparatus is stored and that color space of an image signal is controlled after such attribute information is transferred to the unit exercising such control. Applicants' independent claims 1, 10, 20, 24 and 28, and their respective dependent claims, all of which recite this feature, thus patentably distinguish over the combination of the Takizawa, et al., Lightbody, et al. and Sakoda, et al. patents.

In view of the above, it is submitted that applicants' claims, as amended, patentably distinguish over the cited art of record. Accordingly, reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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